GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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PRESERVATION OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India had appointed a high level committee in the year 1977 to allot duties and to keep a watch for preservation and safety of the foodgrains stored in the open and based on the study report of the said committee, the Food Corporation of India has promoted and deployed its officers and employees for the purpose;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether suitable candidates have not been chosen for the post of Deputy/Joint Manager inquality control section of Food Corporation of India;

(d) whether the preservation/upkeep of the foodgrains has been adversely affected as a result thereof and the FCI has suffered losses due to inadequate number of officers in the quality control section; and

(e) if so, the time by which suitable number of officers in quality control section are likely to be deputed so as to preserve the foodgrains appropriately?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI PRADHAN)

(a),(b),(c),(d)&(e): No such report of a High Level Committee appointed in the year 1977 is available.

The vacant promotional posts of Deputy Managers in Quality Control cadre could not befilled due to non finalisation of seniority of Assistant Managers (Quality Control) owing to a court case which has since been decided on 30.4.2002.

The vacant posts of Joint Managers in Quality Control are being regularly filled up from amongst the Joint Managers in the General Administration cadre.

There is no specific report that the work of preservation and upkeep of foodgrains have been adversely affected due to less number of Quality Control Officers.